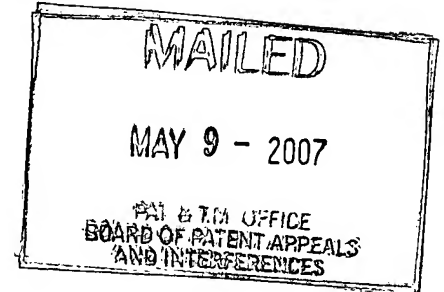


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte MASANORI AMANO
AND SATORU NISHIYAMA

Application No. 10/765,899



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received electronically at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 10, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

On October 28, 2006, appellants filed a supplemental Appeal Brief. A review of the file reveals that there is no indication that the supplemental Appeal Brief has been considered. Appropriate action required.


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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) for consideration of the supplemental Appeal Brief; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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